

Talks of Spokesman of the Information Department of the
Foreign Office Concerning the Right and Interests of Nationals
of Third Powers.

(Nov. 16, 1937)

The measures taken by the Japanese forces in Shanghai for the protection of the lives and property of foreigners have been widely recognized as completely effective by authoritative neutral observers there. Major General Smollett, the commander of the British Forces at Shanghai made a tour of inspection of Hungjao area on the 13th and found out that all residences of foreigners stood virtually undamaged despite the fact that the Japanese forces attacked the Chinese troops and their establishments there. General Smollett is reported by the North China Daily News to have expressed his special satisfaction that the Japanese forces had put up a notice of no admission at every house owned by a foreigner, and that no Japanese had entered any of the foreign houses in the area.

A group of foreign newspaper correspondents also visited Hungjao area on the 14th and were quite satisfied that the Japanese forces had effectively protected foreign properties.

According to English language papers of Shanghai the French consul at Shanghai made an inspection tour of Nantao

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districts and after minutely investigating the conditions of residences and other properties belonging to Frenchmen, he expressed his satisfaction that no damage to speak of had been caused by the Japanese forces on French properties in their attack on Mantao and that the institution for charity work, "les Petites Soeurs de Pauvres", as well as Kioussin Dockyard and the establishments of Water Works had been kept intact.

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外國人ノ生命財産保護ノタメ在上海日本軍ニヨリ取ラレタル處置ハ、
全地ノ機能アル中立者ニヨリ完全ニ有效ナリト廣ク認メラレタ。上
海駐屯軍司令官スモレット少將ハ十三日 HUNGTAO 地區ノ觀察旅行
ヲ行ヒ、外人住居ハ凡テ、日本軍ガ全地支那軍及ソノ營造物ヲ攻撃シタ
ルニ不拘、事實損傷ナク立ツテ居ルコトヲ發見シタ。北支日報ノ報ズル
トコロデハ、スモレット少將ハ、外人所有ノ建物ニスベテ立入禁止ノ指
示ヲナシ、同地區ノ外人住居ヘハ日本人ハ入ラナカツタコトニ特ニ満足
ノ意ヲ表明シタイ。

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外人財産ヲ保護セルコトニ全ク満足シタ。

上海ノ英字新聞ニヨレバ上海駐劄佛國領事ハ HUNGTAO 地區ノ觀察

旅行ヲナシ、佛人ニ屬セル住居其他ノ財産ノ狀況ニ詳細ニ觀察シタル後

是トイフ程ノ損害ハ HUNGTAO 攻略ニ際シ、日本軍ニヨリ佛國ノ財産

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